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BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line. Several words to the line.

Large assortment of spring and summer neckwear just opened at H. B. Foster's.

Wanted at once, a kitchen girl and a chamber girl. Best's Hotel.

Snowshoes made to order—different grades and prices—A. M. Dunham, Norway, Me.

Farmers can get hard wood ashes for spring use of Dennis Pike. Come before snow leaves in order to secure them.

A scarf was picked up on the street by a little girl, Sunday. It is at the Advertiser office awaiting its owner.

Special sale of stamped goods at Mrs. E. G. Skilling's, next week, also serving silk 7 cts. a spool. See new ad.

Canned peas, 4 cans for 25 cts.; canned corn, 4 cans for 25 cts. A large variety of canned fruits and vegetables at low prices. Chas. F. Riddon.

J. A. Bolster has bought a house and lot at South Paris and now offers his residence on Beal St. for sale. Also a small farm just above Norway Lake and house lots in the village for sale. See ad.

Collector Cole wishes to notify the delinquent tax payers that they must not feel but if they have to pay for writs and official fees as he must have the tax that is now due.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Joseph E. Long has had an increase in pension.

Imaginal ball at the opera house this Thursday evening.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Mrs. A. F. Andrews, next Monday evening.

F. T. Bartlett is in the northern part of the county on a business trip.

A party of young people went to the masquerade ball at Harrison, Saturday night.

Winfield Allen lost a finger in the morning machine at the shoe factory, Thursday morning.

J. A. Bolster had a fall the other day. It took place on a bit of slippery walk on his own real estate.

Bake supper and entertainment at the vestry of the Congregational church Tuesday evening.

A. J. Stearns has been in Manchester, N. H., the past week. He went there in company with Dr. H. H. Houghton, last Friday.

In next week's Advertiser will be the story of "The Missing Money" by the Norway postoffice, by Dr. Jeff Cushing Gallison of Franklin, Mass.

The engagement is announced of Elinor F. Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hunt of Bath, to William F. Jones, son of Mrs. Otis N. Jones of Boston.

Mrs. Myrtle V. Corson (nee Starbird) has finished working for E. R. Spinyer & Co., and she and her husband have gone to Berlin, N. H., to work for the Chick Bros.

O. M. Cummings put a notice in last week's paper for a girl to do housework. He received four applications forthwith and secured a girl. Let us hear the results. Everybody reads the ADVERTISER.

Some two weeks ago or about the middle of February, Oliver Shackley presented us with some well developed pine willow buds found on the side of Pike's Hill. Oliver said that they had got out a little early and we agree with him.

Miss O. A. Belevant and Miss M. Sullivan of Lewiston have visited Mrs. Winthrop Stevens, this week. They were Mrs. Stevens' nurses during her stay at the Central Maine General Hospital, and Mrs. Stevens says that they took good care of her.

Frank T. Bartlett has bought a whopling big new portrait camera. It cost him a hundred dollars, and has all modern attachments, and so many adjustments that we were bewildered at an explanation of its many merits. It is pretty toy, but leads us to suspect that babies will smile when they see it.

An effort is making to have a concert for the benefit of the high school library, in a month or so. The desire is to have it a first-class entertainment, and so papers are circulating to see if a sufficient number of subscribers can be secured. If there are, Prof. Fred A. Givens will get up the concert, making the leading feature his orchestral club, of Portland.

Alfred Shattuck was brought before the Municipal Court, Wednesday, charged with cruelty, in driving an aged and lame horse. The lame horse was admitted, but the defense claimed it was not of such extent and character as to make using the animal a cruelty. A spavin was the cause of the lameness. The court imposed a fine of five dollars, and the defense appealed.

We are informed that an item in our columns last week was somewhat of a mistake. Mr. Morey with team ran over Mr. Durell in the evening instead of the morning. He had a nervous high-strung young horse and the party going to meeting was spread across the whole street, so that it was impossible to pass them without hitting somebody. As soon as he could turn the horse, he went back, took Mr. Durell into the sleigh and carried him to the house.

SOME NORWAY VILLAGE SCHOOLS.

MR. EDITOR:—The writer visited the schools on the lower floor of the high school building, the other day, and was delighted with what he saw and heard in all four of the rooms. These teachers are doing splendid work and are bringing their schools to a high degree of efficiency. In their several departments they can scarcely be equalled, and it would be very hard to fill their places with others equally as competent.

The morning exercises in Miss Shedd's room are worth a visit from any of our citizens, and especially to hear her pupils sing of "Grand Old Maine" to the tune of "Home Sweet Home." Miss Shedd has long had charge of this department and is one of the very few teachers of whom it can be said that they steadily improve as instructors.

Miss Millett's kindergarten methods have produced wonderful results, and should be followed in all schools of this grade. She exercises her pupils with the spirit of her work, keeps up with the times but is always practical.

Miss LaFarier is one of our greatest workers and most efficient instructors. She knows the value of the "drill" in her methods, and a good disciplinarian. Whenever there are exercises like those of Washington's birthday, her room is always filled with visitors.

Miss Gardner has one of the best schools in the village. She is a thorough disciplinarian and an excellent teacher. Whoever visits her department will be delighted with her management and the fine appearance of her pupils.

A CITIZEN.

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Charles S. Cummings.

Charles S., the eldest of the six children of Charles B. and Frances E. (Staples) Cummings, was born in Norway, Jan. 26, 1852. His education was gained in the village schools.

At a tender age, he took such an interest in his father's business, that he was given a chance to do something in the furniture store. That wasn't enough, and a grocery department was added, which, while still a boy, he managed with notable ability. As he came to manhood, that was given up, and he came into full charge of the large furniture business of the firm of C. B. Cummings & Sons. He studied all the varied lines of business of the firm, and for years—in addition to running one department—was sole bookkeeper. The work was too much for any man, but he did it unaided for a long time of years. He was a man of great judgment, a shrewd financier, and people learned to regard him as one of the ablest business men in Norway.

Socially he was a favorite, having inherited the Cummings propensity for joking, and always being ready to help things move along cheerfully.

He was a member of the Universalist church, and his advice was sought in the management of the society's affairs.

In 1886, he married Ella Haskell. They lived happily for a time, but two years later she succumbed to that insidious disease, consumption.

Last summer, Charlie eased up on his work and went out doors. It was too late. He had bent over a desk so long that consumption had marked him too for a victim. In the fall it was seen that a warmer climate was necessary if he were to ever gain his health.

His brother Fred, the long journey to California was taken. They prepared to spend a delightful winter in that land of sunshine, but only to be disappointed. In January, their parents went there and Monday of this week, the date was Mar. 1, 1897, and he was a little more than 35 years old. The sorrowing parents and brother started for Norway, with the remains, on Tuesday. They are expected to arrive the first of next week.

Lizzie Ryerson of West Paris is doing housework for O. M. Cummings.

We want to do your printing. Will do it as you want it done and get it to you when you want it.

Orrin F. Flint lost the right forefinger Saturday, in some of the machinery at Cummings' box shop.

Have you noticed how much more smoothly street cars No. 1 runs since it was supplied with new trucks?

Emma F. Stone, who has been confined to the house by illness, sick the death of her mother, is now able to ride out.

F. H. Noyes of the loaning committee of the Norway Savings Bank was in Berlin, N. H., Wednesday, on bank business.

R. K. Eastman announced to his intention of being married soon. His intended is Miss Hattie May Butler, of Portland.

The baby of Orrin and Rebecca Flint tipped in a high chair against a hot stove, Thursday morning, and was dangerously burned.

All who wish to secure tickets for the series of concerts to be given at the Maine festival, can subscribe for the same with H. L. Horne.

Frank Kimball visited at Woodville, N. H., the first of this week. Frank is planning on buying a house in town and bringing his family here.

A. J. Fitzsimmons, W. H. Reed, E. M. Mosher, F. L. Benjamin, W. N. Miller and F. J. Jacobson of New York have been in town working for the American Tobacco Co. They gave samples of Battle-ax plug to all the cheering population, distributed lots of advertising matter and posted signs in stores, doing a hot office job. Mr. Fitzsimmons is the New England agent of the plug business of the Co. and is a hustler from dawn till bedtime. His crew worked hard and were a gentlemanly appearing lot of men.

Prof. Wm. R. Chapman of New York, was in town, Monday afternoon. Norway and South Paris branch of the Maine Music Festival was out in good numbers to greet him, and had an enlivening rehearsal. Prof. Chapman was greeted with applause, when he came into the church, as was also Homer N. Chase of Auburn, the business manager of the Maine Festival. Prof. Chapman made a little speech giving the Maine people some taffy, before work began. Mr. Carroll took the stick and directed, while Prof. Chapman trotted all around the room and listened with first one ear cocked and then the other, his face meantime running the gamut of looks. The barometer was low, nobody felt enthusiastic and the chorus began in an anxious constrained manner like a spider seeking for a web. The result was as dismal as the last March flood. But it was not long before Prof. Chapman's interest became infectious and the singers of the county metropolis were doing their duty. Prof. Chapman said they had improved and he wanted them to make still greater gains. They were learning the notation of the music, they must now begin on the declamation, following that with the coloring and lastly he would next summer teach them how to act it, and that meant a very great deal. He showed some new music, fresh from the printing press, composed by himself especially for the Maine Festival. Copies were presented to the chorus and he was down to play the piano and hear the chorus so a wisp. He said it had never been sung and Norway folks might have the pleasure of first vocalizing it. The piece is "A Battle Hymn." He made the piano roar and howl and sob and splutter and snarl and rattle, till his very keys seemed so many teeth, each with a severe attack of neuralgia, on account of which the whole instrument fought and shouted and lamented. Next they must sing. When the singing didn't suit him, his face looked as pleasant as a house afire, and his voice spoke up as soothing as a siren whistle and nearly as big. A pickerel never seized upon a frog with more avidity than those singers tackled that music. They pleased him, and he energy until he smiled as blandly as a cat with a saucer of sweet cream. A lot more of hard work was done, Prof. Chapman made comments and gave directions and everybody went home feeling pleased.

Masonic Celebration.

Thursday evening of last week, there was an unusual gathering in Masons' Hall, Norway. The Freemasons of Oxford Lodge, Union Chapter and Oxford Council were out in force, regardless of the fact that the moon was not full. Some of the brethren had long drives in the dark, but they didn't mind that, for a true Freemason would travel many miles to assist a brother in distress or attend a jubilee where the wives and daughters and widows and orphans are present. The spirit of brotherly love and fraternity is the very groundwork of Masonry, and the brethren improve opportunities to get together for purely friendly occasions.

This one was the celebration of the lifting of the debt of Masons' building, at Oxford, and the Cottage and Temple streets. About a hundred of the craft were present, the greater number accompanied by ladies.

They assembled in Masons' Hall, in the upper story of the building. A pleasant entertainment was given by Stearns & Norwold's orchestra. Master Stuart, reader, and the Crescent made quartet. Then Worshipful Master Chas. F. Riddon of Oxford Lodge said supper would soon be ready, and till that time the hoped people would move about and see each other and have a good time. They did so. The visiting brethren were shown the library of Masonic literature, and there was given an exhibition of the effect produced by weakening and strengthening the electric current in the lights, and by turning the current on a system of diminutive colored lights, producing an effect resembling starlight.

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SOUTH PARIS.

Newell Cook is improving.

Harry Morton of Auburn was in town, Friday.

Mary Stowell of Dixfield is visiting in town.

Sherman C. Ordway and wife are visiting in Portland.

Fred R. Dyer of Buckfield was in town on business, last week.

Mrs. George B. Pulsifer is visiting friends in Abington, Mass.

Elsie Bolster is in Auburn, visiting her cousin, Grace Morton.

Julia F. Morton is at home for a

NORWAY SOCIETY DIRECTORY

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

OXFORD LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 18, meets in Masonic Hall, Monday evening, on or before full moon. Chas. F. Riddon, W. M.; H. D. Smith, Secy.

UNION ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 36, meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. E. P. Brudbury, H. P.; H. D. Smith, Secy.

OXFORD LODGE, No. 1, Ark Mariners, meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday after the full moon. Seward S. Stearns, Ven. Pat.; Merton L. Kimball, Recorder.

Norway Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Tuesday evening. Eugene C. Libby, N. G.; C. G. Mason, Secy.

WILDER ENCAMPMENT, No. 51, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Eugene E. Flood, C. P.; C. G. Mason, Scribe.

MR. HOPE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 58, I. O. O. F., meets in Old Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Ella M. Hartman, N. G.; Olive A. Woodsum, Rec. Secy.

HARRY RYSE POST, No. 44, G. A. R., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. M. E. Kimball, Com.; S. A. Bennett, Adj. W. S. Conwell, G. M.

PENNSYLVANIA LODGE, No. 18, K. of P., meets in their hall, Hathaway Block, every Thursday evening. W. S. Conwell, G. M.; Merton L. Kimball, K. of K. S.

A. O. NOYES COMPANY, No. 12, U. R. K. of P., meets in Pythian Hall, the third Friday in each month. At J. Howe, Sir Knight Captain; Wesley H. Ginn, Sir Knight Recorder.

NORWAY COMRADES, No. 347, U. O. G. C., meets 3d and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month. Geo. L. Jackson, N. G.; Lucinda Merriam, K. of R.

LAKEVIEW LODGE, No. 177, N. E. O. P., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. G. Julian Brown, Warden; Mrs. O. A. Holden, Secretary.

STONY BROOK LODGE, No. 181, N. E. O. P., meets at Grand Army Hall, South Paris, the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month. Horace L. Swan, Warden; Mrs. F. D. Swan, Sec.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS COUNCIL, No. 19, O. U. A. M., meets at G. A. R. Hall, South Paris, every Monday night at 8 o'clock. G. H. Wyman, Councilor; R. E. Howard, Rec. Sec.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, Rev. C. E. Carroll, Pastor. Services begin at 10:30. Sunday school at 12 and Young People's Christian Union at 7 o'clock. Strangers are cordially invited.

BAPTIST CHURCH, A. HASTINGS, Pastor. Preaching Services at 2 o'clock, P. M.; Sabbath School at 10 o'clock, P. M.; Prayer Meeting Friday, 7:30, P. M.

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Farm Mortgages.

It appears from Secretary Morton's report that the farms of the country are by no means covered with mortgages. In point of fact 73 per cent of the farms in the United States occupied by their owners are absolutely free from mortgages or other incumbrances. And doubtless the 28 per cent of farmers whose farms are mortgaged are a large proportion are entirely solvent and are getting much more benefit out of the money they have borrowed than the rent they pay for it in the shape of interest.

Here and There.

On sour or acid soils clover does not thrive. On the farm at the Rhode Island station it was impossible to grow clover until enough air slaked lime was used to neutralize the acid. When this was done, excellent crops of clover were produced.

There seems to be a growing inclination on the part of New England farmers to plant nut trees both for shade and the prospective crops of nuts.

Within a few years baled shavings have come into such general use as bedding that the sales of straw have been considerably lessened.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania state board of agriculture will be held at Harrisburg, Jan. 27 and 28.

As reports continue to come in, Rural New Yorker finds that many farmers are succeeding this year with crimson clover who were sadly disappointed with it in former years.

St Albans, Vt., has been added to the list of ports at which cattle and sheep from the Dominion of Canada for export from the United States may be entered in bond for Portland, Me., and Boston, for export from the two last mentioned ports only in accordance with the regulations in the order of Feb. 11, 1899.

The Discovery Saved His Life. Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at Noyes Drug Store, Norway, or Shurtleff's Pharmacy, South Paris.

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Tobacco Propagated From Slips. Foreign exchanges give the intelligence of the discovery of a tobacco export of Hungary which may change decided changes in the system of culture. Tobacco has been hitherto treated as an annual plant. According to the new system, it can be propagated from slips. It is claimed that the leaves harvested from plants propagated from slips are in all respects superior to those of the mother plant. Should these reports prove true the chief labor in tobacco cultivation of growing new plants every year from the seed will be done away with.

Applying Barnyard Manure. The query, "Where and how can barnyard manure be applied to receive the greatest benefit, and on what crops should it be used?" opens up a broad question and one that cannot be answered dogmatically, for what would be best on one farm would not be on all. On those farms where corn, wheat and grass or clover are the staples, an Ohio correspondent of Prairie Farmer advises that the manure be drawn out during the winter and spread on a sod, preferably clover, which is to be plowed the next spring for corn, and that the manure which accumulates during the spring and summer, and which is made by reducing the straw stack, be used for top dressing on the wheat land after it is plowed. On farms where special crops, such as sweet potatoes, melons, etc., are grown it is often pays to use most of the manure on these crops. He has had an increase of value in a sweet potato crop which paid \$1.00 a load for the manure applied. On level land with a sod there is no loss from spreading the manure during the winter, but on rolling bare land there might be quite a loss from washing away the soluble parts. Every farmer must be his own judge as to how to manage and to what crops to apply manure, but his stables should be so made that the liquid manure will all be saved and the manure also be handled as to avoid loss either by leaching or burning, and then he should apply it to such crops as will give the best results.

Notes on Tomato Culture. At the Maine station of Orono, Professor Munson has found that tomato plants grown in boxes give, on the whole, better results than those grown in open beds. He also compared plants from seed grown in the field and that produced after several generations under glass. It was thought that a vigor strain of fruit might be obtained by forcing plants to an early development under glass and then limiting the amount of fruit such plants should bear. The results do not indicate much beyond the possibility that this may be true of some varieties and less so of others. As to best varieties for forcing, the Lorrillard, Optimus, Chemung, Ithaca and Long Keeper give best results. Professor Munson also tried the plan of "cutting back" tomato plants for field culture. The object was to check the growth of such plants as seemed likely to become "leggy" or spindling. The plants were trimmed off about four inches, and this improved the yield of early varieties, but did not benefit late ones. As to quenching, as against frequent cultivation, it was found that the mulched plants matured a little earlier, but that the cultivated ones were much superior in other respects.

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FARM & GARDEN

A YANKEE WORKS THE WIND.

What a Windmill Does in Connecticut—An Icehouse Built of Rubbish.

Not a great while ago Rural New Yorker gave an illustration showing a windmill and the pile of wood saved with it. This sketch was commented on as follows by the Connecticut farmer who owned the windmill. He says:

There is sufficient available power in a 12 foot geared mill to run all machines necessary on a farm. Notice the sizes of those blocks. Some of them are 20 inches across, old dry apple and knotty ash, which are very hard. Yet they were all sawed without stopping the saw.

This mill runs a thrasher that cleans the grain from the straw and chaff at one operation. A boy 15 years old and myself got from the mow and thrashed 20 shocks of oats in one hour. My mill grinds all kinds of feed, fine or coarse, and cornmeal and graham flour for table use. We cut cornstalks with a big fodder cutter. All of these machines are run on the west barn floor, which necessitated putting up 44 feet of horizontal shafting.

Under the old timbers and boards at the right we store our ice. It was stacked, in the first place, 12 by 12 feet square and 10 feet high, leaving the spaces between the cakes of ice open, so that they would come out easier. It keeps just as well this way and saves time and labor. We put one load of sawdust on the top and covered the rest at our leisure; it was four or five weeks before this ice was entirely covered. A space of 10 or 12 inches was left between the boards and ice, in which sawdust was put and packed down hard. Ice was used twice a day from April 20 sufficient to run a four can Colcey creamer, and there will probably be some left over.

How THE WIND MAKES A WOOD PILE.

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Mr. Meehan names the Paragon as a popular variety, being not only a very large and good chestnut, but a very abundant bearer.

A Garden Rack. Where there are two persons about a place to assist each other in the work of the garden, the rack that is figured in the New York Tribune, will prove ex-

perimentation in growing tobacco with different fertilizers at the Connecticut Experiment Station.

The experiments in growing tobacco with different fertilizers at the Connecticut station in 1894 resulted: Castor pomace, cottonseed meal, linseed meal, tobacco stems, nitrate of soda, dry fish, cotton bull ashes, double sulphate of potash and magnesia, carbonate of potash, high grade sulphate of potash, double carbonate of potash and magnesia, wood ashes and several brands of fertilizers were tested in various combinations. Castor pomace and cottonseed meal afforded practically the same yield. Of the potash salts double sulphate of potash and magnesia gave the best results.

This is a continuation of an experiment reported in the annual report of the station for 1893. The yields of unfertilized tobacco are tabulated and briefly discussed, a full discussion being postponed until after five successive crops shall have been raised, cured and fermented.

The maximum yield, 3,115 pounds of sorted tobacco, was obtained by the use of a mixture of 2,300 pounds of Mapes' tobacco manure and 600 pounds of Mapes' starter per acre. The maximum

yield of wrappers, 1,330 pounds, was obtained by using either 2,720 pounds cottonseed meal and 1,444 pounds cotton hull ashes or 3,780 pounds of castor pomace and 1,520 pounds of cotton hull ashes per acre; the yield of sorted tobacco on these plots was 1,860 pounds. In increasing the quantity of cottonseed meal in the fertilizer from 1,360 to 2,260 pounds per acre did not increase the yield, but a further increase of 500 pounds per acre made an increase of 250 pounds per acre in the sorted tobacco. The quantity of wrappers increased regularly with the increase in the quantity of cottonseed meal or castor pomace applied.

When the nitrogen was supplied only in the form of castor pomace, the yield of wrappers was greater than when a part of the nitrogen was applied in the form of nitrate of soda. In 1894, as in previous years, the double sulphate of potash maintained its superiority to the other potash salts, affording the largest yield of sorted tobacco and of wrappers.

A plot which was dressed with stable manure, also a plot dressed with tobacco stems and castor pomace, produced less tobacco than most of the other plots and the least wrappers of any plots.

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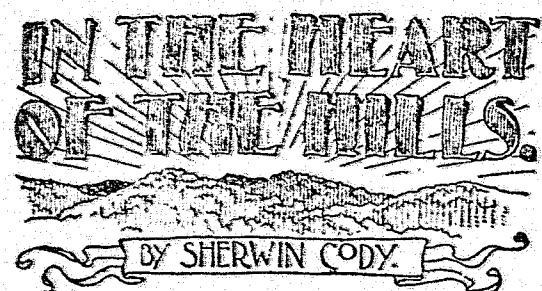
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There was among farmers great activity near at home just at this season. They were doing up the full work. Now and then the travelers got wide views over the fields and forests, which seemed clothed in gorgeous, royal robes of flaming red and yellow mingled with the dark green of the pines and hemlocks. Indeed, it was a glorious sight, so strange and different from the soft greens of the spring. Moreover, the air was cool and dry; only white fleecy clouds floated in the sky, and the yellowing leaves came rustling briskly down. Most of the apples had been picked, but open barn doors showed long lines of unheaped barrels strewn with the red fruit, and here and there in the fields were huge heaps, suggesting the harvest of the year. Besides, all the men seemed to work with a relaxing yet buoyant energy, as if thankful that the heavy work of the year was over. Why is it that we love the autumn when the winter will come so soon, with its dull, cloudy November days and its December snows and its January ice? And why is the spring so sad, even when it is the glad herald of a new year and new life? Perhaps it is that we who are ripening rejoice in the ripeness and mellow bounty of autumn, while the spring saddens us because it suggests a new life and budding hopes to others, but not to us. At any rate autumn is filled with joy, is very joy itself in fullness, and when it puts on such regal robes as it does in New England, when the leaves of all the trees and shrubs and vines turn to such brilliant hues, it becomes indeed triumphant.

When at night they reached the pasture they found half a dozen steers and heifers that George greeted familiarly and which came to eat the salt in his hand. He was disappointed to find so few. But these were secured, and then they prepared themselves for the



The next day they were scouring the woods, each searching in a different direction for the missing cattle. It was one of those warm October days when the sunshine seems yellowest of all the year. A few rustling dead leaves fluttered underfoot, and dry branches broke, while partridges started up on every side, winging low along the ground or running with lowered heads. Here and there one might catch glimpses up the gorges of the mountains, revealing a splendor and a gorgeousness that must remain in memory till death of even the most unimaginative. It seemed as if Dame Nature were a fine lady inspecting the most sumptuous materials for her winter's dresses, and here they were spread out before her in magnificent abundance, as if this were the warehouse of the gods. Bold on fold they lay high up the mountain sides and down the gorges, now red, now yellow, green or brown.

Suddenly Alec came out on a little lake, held in a lofty niche between great ledges. The dry leaves fluttered on its edges, ripples from falling twigs or insects or an obstreperous frog ran playfully and lightly over its smooth surface, and it looked so cool and calm and clear! And there, yonder, standing in the edge of the water, were five of the cattle. The sight of them called Alec to his senses, and immediately he was rushing after them as well as he could for the unevenness of the ground and the tripping branches underfoot. He had not much difficulty in driving them toward the bars, for they seemed inclined of themselves to go in that direction. But it was near a mile and a half, so the sun stood at full noon when Alec and George met once more, and having rounded in the cattle they had found they prepared their lunch together. Only three of the herd were lacking, and these they hoped to find in a part of the pasture yet unvisited.

But George seemed very sober indeed, and scarcely spoke. Alec missed his free, frank, cordial tone, and was vaguely distressed, though he could make out no reason. As soon as luncheon was finished they started out again. Alec wandered all the afternoon, finding nothing of the cattle, but plenty else to enjoy. But as the sun sank out of sight away across the valley behind the Green mountains, he heard a long shrill whistle from

George, and hurried toward it as rapidly as he could. It was half an hour before he reached the bars, but here he found George and the missing cattle. So at daylight the next morning they would be ready to start for home.

George was taciturn as ever. Alec was oppressed, but rallied him on being in love, telling him that after that parting kiss he ought to be a happy man. The other's face lightened somewhat at this, but still he did not resume his natural cheerfulness. They ate supper quietly, and as both were tired they soon lay down in their blankets to sleep.

But neither slept. It was clear and cool; the stars shone down steadily; the wind rustled lightly but mournfully in the trees; over in the east the moon was just coming up round and red, casting long shadows among the trees. They lay thus for a long time with no other sounds. Alec would have gone to sleep long ago had he not been so very tired.

Suddenly George asked, as if he were inquiring what o'clock it were, but half expected to find his bedfellow asleep: "Did you ever kiss her before?"

"No," said Alec, in the same tone. "I don't know how I happened to then, only she looked so lonely."

"Do you think she cares for me?" came the question after a little pause.

"Why, of course. I am sure of it. Didn't you know it? I knew it from the first night I said there. You know that Saturday evening you came. I saw her cry a little behind the door when you were gone."

There was a very long silence after this. Neither moved nor offered to speak. But at last George said in his old cheery tone:

"You'd better go to sleep, Alec. It's tough tramping over the mountains for the first time. I'm pretty stiff myself, and we must be off early tomorrow. It's a good thing we've got all the cattle in."

The journey home was a long and tedious one. One of the men had to walk all the way, and they took turns. At the end of the first day they were so fagged out that George decided to secure a pen if possible in which to keep the cattle for the night, and at last succeeded. The next day one of the steers ran away, and while ten miles from home they were obliged to drive the other cattle into a neighbor's barnyard and go to hunt for the missing one, which they found along near midnight and drove back to the others. They reached Ashton about 10 o'clock in the evening of the third day. The store was still lighted, and George seemed in exceedingly cheerful spirits as they drew near.

They drove the cattle into the great barnyard at the rear, and then George brought the horse around to the front of the store, while Alec entered the building at the rear. As everything in the kitchen was still and dark, he made his way into the dining room, where supper was spread for himself and George, though no one was there, and then he went on into the store, where 'Lisbeth must be. No doubt the children had gone to bed, and possibly Mrs. Higgins also.

To his surprise, he found the store full of strangers. Alec read in their faces that something had happened, and he hurried on toward the outer door, where he could see 'Lisbeth and Mrs. Higgins looking into the dark for himself and George. As he reached the door he made a sound, and Mrs. Higgins turned suddenly and fell on his neck sobbing as he mumbled out:

"Oh, Mr. Howe, I knew you would come! I knew you would come! You've always been that good to me and 'Lisbeth, and even Joe spoke well of you. I knew you would come!"

"What is the matter?" asked Alec, looking at 'Lisbeth, and involuntarily drawing away somewhat from Mrs. Higgins' embrace.

'Lisbeth turned a sad, pale face on him, and said shortly:

"Father's had a fit and died about two hours ago. We've been waiting for you to come. Where is George?"

"There," answered Alec, for George had come up in the dark and was standing on the step. 'Lisbeth turned and stood facing him.

"Father's dead," she said in the same monotonous tone in which she had addressed Alec. "He died in one of those fits about two hours ago. We've been waiting for you. The neighbors came in and offered to help, but they could do nothing."

Others had crowded around, much to Alec's annoyance, but 'Lisbeth and Mrs. Higgins and George seemed to think it only natural that they should. But 'Lisbeth said in the same tone as before:

"Come in and have your supper. I've had it waiting for you. Come in, George. Don't talk about going off now. Come in. Supper's all ready."

CHAPTER XVII.

THE OBSEQUES OF JOE HIGGINS.

As the doctor and a neighbor had performed the necessary offices for the dead, there was naught to do now but eat supper and go to bed. Kind women followed Mrs. Higgins and 'Lisbeth fairly into the dining room, and had to be assured many times that there was nothing to be done, no assistance needed, that they were perfectly comfortable for the night now that George and Alec had come home. And at last, as George and Alec were finishing their supper, the four were left alone in the dining room, and Mrs. Higgins and 'Lisbeth sank into chairs at the table with the young men. Mrs. Higgins by turns wept on the virtues of her deceased husband. All three tried to comfort her, but in vain. She became hysterical, till 'Lisbeth spoke to her:

"Mother, stop! Stop, mother!"

But Alec had been watching the face of 'Lisbeth. Not a tear had escaped her eyes; her face was pallid and drawn in tense lines.

Alec suggested to Mrs. Higgins that he should help her into the parlor, and she would gratefully have accepted his assistance, but 'Lisbeth jumped up and said:

"I'll go with mother."

"No, you stay with George," said Mrs. Higgins, even at this moment thoughtful of the proprieties to her guest.

"George can take care of himself. Alec can look after him," said 'Lisbeth

curly, and took her mother's arm. The two men sat looking at each other for a little while. Then Alec said: "I think I'll clear off the table. 'Lisbeth must be pretty well used up to-night."

As he began his work George rose and said he thought he must be going; that he would come over in the morning, and be glad to do anything in the world he could do.

"No; stay a little while. 'Lisbeth will be back," said Alec, and went on with his work. So George sat down in a corner of the room and waited.

In ten minutes our dainty city had performed the duties of the table girl. Then he went to close up the store. He bolted the front door and put out the lights. Then he went the round of the windows in the tavern, fastening them as Mr. Higgins had been accustomed to do. As he went toward the dining room he heard voices and knew 'Lisbeth must be there. George was standing in front of her, a hand on each of her shoulders.

"I don't know but this is a bad time to say it," George was saying, "yet I don't know but it's the right time. I meant to say it when I got back. I was thinking about it all the way along. Now that he's gone you'll need somebody to take care of you and the folks, and I don't know that I'm good for anything else if you'll just have me, 'Lisbeth."

He spoke in a hesitating, jerky way. But 'Lisbeth understood.

"But," said she, "I won't tie myself to any man with all my father's family hanging on my skirts. If mother and the children get enough out of the store and things to take care of them properly, perhaps I might."

Then Alec heard something that sounded like a kiss. A moment later George was stumbling blindly out into the dark. He stumbled into Alec, who shook hands with him and bade him a hearty good night, which quite brought him to his normal senses. Alec fastened the door after him and went into the dining room, where 'Lisbeth was standing by the table.

"I've fastened all the windows," said Alec, "and the doors are bolted except this way."

"Don't come out here," said 'Lisbeth, but Alec followed her, and their hands sometimes met in the dark. A tear or two dropped on his, and then he noticed that she was sobbing and could not stop despite her every effort. When they got to the dining room where there was a light, she lay her head on the table, her arms stretched out before her, and gave way at last to the grief she had so long contained. Alec stood and watched her till the tears began to run down his face too.

But at last she stopped and they began to talk. They consulted as to what was to be done. In a veiled way they talked over 'Lisbeth's possible marriage. 'Lisbeth decided that she and Alec must get the store to rights and manage things for the winter. In the spring perhaps—but it would be time enough to talk about it then.

"The children don't know," said 'Lisbeth, "they don't know a thing. They didn't know about father's not being well even, and I put them to bed. It's strange that with the noise and everything they have not been down to see what the matter is. But they went after leaves today after school and got very tired. I suppose that is the reason. But we shall have to tell them in the morning."

"Let me tell them," said Alec. "Doesn't even Jim know?"

"Not a word."

Then they put out the light, and together stumbled out in the dark to the stairs. At the top of the landing, as they separated to go to their own rooms, they pressed each other's hands warmly and lingered a moment, then said as cheery a good night as possible and were gone.

By daylight the next morning Alec was dressed and down in the kitchen. And there he found 'Lisbeth before him hard at work by lamplight in her pantry, getting ready a large baking, for the house would be crowded during the next three days by neighbors and friends, and of course they must be fed, and as everything had happened so suddenly 'Lisbeth was not prepared.

Alec consulted with her about keeping the store closed till after the funeral. He thought it was only proper as a sign of respect. But 'Lisbeth said people would have to have something to eat, and as there was no other place at which they could conveniently buy, the store must be kept open. Besides there was the mail to be distributed. They finally concluded that if the store were open in front for an hour at noon when the mail came that would be sufficient. The back door might be left open the rest of the day, and if any one were in need he could come in that way.

The children would be down shortly, and Alec walked out toward the front of the house to meet them when they came down the stairs. 'Lisbeth, he knew, dreaded to see them. And very soon they came, all clattering down the steps together, laughing and shouting, unmindful and unconscious of the dead.

"Oh, Alec has come back!" cried Flo and Bessie together as they ran to meet him, and Jim smiled a welcome. One little girl took one hand and the other the other hand, and they would have asked him innumerable questions, but something serious in his face stopped them. So they looked at him intently to see what the matter was. He said he had something to tell them and they would come into the parlor with him. He sat down in a chair by the front window and put an arm about each little girl as they stood on either side of him, while Jim stood with dignity directly in front of him, almost touching his knees.

"What is it?" asked Flo impatiently. "Has anything happened?"

"Yes," said Alec. "Something sad has happened."

"What is it?" asked Flo again, but the others were silent and fearful.

"Your papa has gone to heaven," "Is he dead?" said Bessie, looking at Alec with great round eyes.

"Yes, he is dead!" answered Alec. There was silence for a moment or

two. Then Flo, with childish but innocent heartlessness, asked:

"Is that all you had to tell us?"

"Isn't that enough?" answered Alec solemnly, perhaps a little shocked. "You won't see your papa any more. He's gone, and he won't come back again. Aren't you sorry?"

He looked up at Jim and saw great tears in the boy's eyes. The little girls looked up at him, too, and as they did so the tears rolled down his brave cheeks.

Alec told Jim of the conversation with 'Lisbeth the night before and of their intention to keep on with the store if possible. He gravely wondered if he ought not to stay out of school to help. But Alec thought that if he worked hard out of school hours that would be sufficient.

It was a very gloomy household. The children tagged about after 'Lisbeth, who had to watch her baking and every now and then receive some kind friend or neighbor who had come in to

help or to offer sympathy. Some of them brought pies and cakes, knowing that 'Lisbeth must be short with so many people to feed. The men came too. They could not have been kinder or more solicitous.

Mrs. Higgins staid in her room, but there received her friends, and gave Alec directions. She said that if it weren't for Alec she thought she should die. It was such a comfort that he was there. Suppose he had never come to Ashton or Mr. Higgins hadn't hired him! What would they have done now? But he was there, attending to everything, and it was a great comfort.

The next day was Sunday, and of course the house was crowded with people. Alec did not go to church, nor did 'Lisbeth, and several of the neighbors staid over at the tavern during the service. Then, when it was finished, many new faces appeared, persons who had not heard the news till they came to church, or else had not before been able to come and offer their sympathy. It was a hard, trying day, and at night Alec was nearly ready to drop for weariness.

George had brought the coffin the day before, and all that was left of Joe Higgins had been placed in it. The coffin was a shiny black walnut veneer, and had an engraved silver plate on top, and there were six silver handles, three on each side. Some thought two would have been enough, but others agreed that Joe Higgins deserved three.

The next morning the sexton might be heard digging the grave in the cemetery over across the open square. He worked away at it all the morning, and it was not finished till near 2 o'clock. The funeral was to be at 3, and even by noon the house was filled with people. Mrs. Higgins was up and dressed in mourning for which 'Lisbeth had sent to Portlandville by George, and which with her own hands she had sewed and fitted that Monday morning. She also had her own black dress to trim with crape, and to fix the children. The neighbors assisted her, however, and by noon all was ready.

Six pallbearers had been selected from the most respected men of the village. Jonathan Finchley was one. They came early and stood near the coffin, which had been placed in the middle of the parlor, for flowers over it, which neighbors had brought from their own houses or friends from a distance had sent. They were mostly white-pinks, everlastings, tea roses from hothouses. A little before 3 the minister came. Of course he had been there before to comfort the widow and the fatherless. After a short service in the house the body was carried to the church, where more people were waiting. The last rites were read, and the friends filed up the long aisle and put the coffin to take the last look at the dead.

Alec followed respectfully and at a distance. He felt himself a stranger; for these people looked on him as an outsider, a "hired man." They had known Joe Higgins for 50 years, from the time he was a baby in arms. This was a newcomer, and it was impossible to be intimate with him.

'Lisbeth and Mrs. Higgins stood by the grave, each holding the hand of a little girl, with Jim near them, as the clergyman said, "Dust to dust, ashes to ashes." Then the soil was shoveled in, and it was all over. They walked back, Alec respectfully following behind. Kind sympathizers still consoled with them, but most of the company hurried away now that all was finished, whipping up their horses with spirit as they drove away.

The friends from a distance returned to the house and 'Lisbeth prepared supper for them, and then one by one they drove away. By 10 o'clock Alec, Mrs. Higgins, 'Lisbeth and the children were left alone in the parlor.

CHAPTER XVIII.

ALEC RECEIVES A CALL FROM JONATHAN FINCHLEY.

Mrs. Higgins was so tired she couldn't cry any more. 'Lisbeth's face was hollow and distressed.

So it was all over. On the morrow a new life must begin for Alec, with new responsibilities. First the accounts of the store must be looked into, and legal formalities, which he did not understand, gone through with.

The sun was already shining brightly when Alec clambered down the stairs the next morning, but the house seemed to have a deserted stillness. Not even

'Lisbeth was up yet. He went through the familiar dining room, that nevertheless had now a changed air about it, out into the store. The blinds were tightly fastened over the windows and the outer door. The store had a slightly chilly atmosphere, and there was a close odor which, in Alec's fancy, had a connection with the grave. Joe Higgins was gone and never again would sit on the old settee and amuse the boys, or lie at full length upon the counter, listening to the day's gossip. And there was no master now, whose judgment could be asked, on whom responsibility should rest.

Alec opened the outer door, took down the blinds and with energy fell to sweeping the floor as he had been accustomed to do. But when that was done, he looked about conscious how little he knew of the way to manage affairs. When the sugar was low, Mr. Higgins ordered more, but of whom, or how, or what he paid, Alec had never known. The selling, where all the townspeople were obliged to come and buy when in need, was obviously of much less importance than the buying. But here was his chance. He determined then and there that he would not let it slip.

The old regime was ended and a new one must begin. The books must be overhauled, an executor appointed—George Marston, Alec decided—and the townspeople must be shown at once that the store would be carried on with renewed vigor. No lapsing neglect should encourage an interloper to start a new store and ruin the business value of this, on the success of which so much depended.

For some time past he had heard 'Lisbeth in the kitchen getting breakfast as usual. It was a comfort to think that she could always be depended on. There would be no moments of distracted weakness in her, and Alec determined that there should be none in himself. 'Lisbeth should be appointed postmistress, as she was now the assistant, and a girl should be hired to help her with the kitchen work. He would insert an advertisement that very day in the *Patronian Gazette*.

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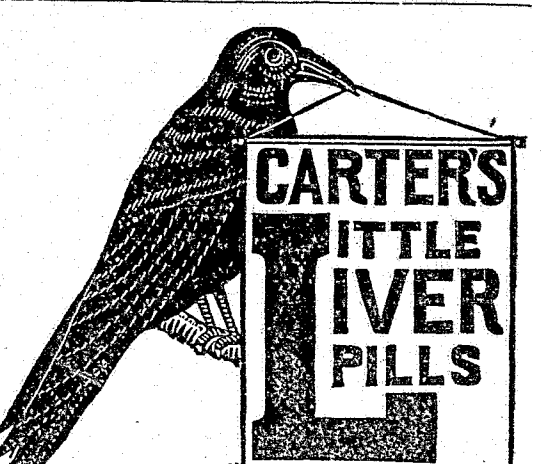
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Stocks and bonds owned by the company, market value, \$1,162,676 00

Loans secured by collateral, \$14,681 61

Cash in the company's principal office and in bank, \$16,101 52

Interest due and accrued, \$1,757 13

Premiums in due course of collection, \$18,792 43

Aggregate of all admitted assets of the company at actual value, \$9,339,515 33

LIABILITIES, December 31, 1896.

Net amount unpaid losses and claims, \$316,707 91

Amount required to satisfy re-insurance, \$3,228,272 69

All other demands against the company, via: commissions, etc., \$61,104 40

Total amount of liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus, \$3,546,085 00

Surplus, \$4,083,460 33

Aggregate amount of net surplus, including net surplus, \$9,339,515 33

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Library.....50 00
Brown Post.....40 00

SWEDEN.
Moderator, J. S. Ames.
Clerk, E. H. Plummer.
Selectmen, C. E. Jones, J. S. Ames, S. L. Plummer.
School Board, R. W. Nevers, Hugh Smart, Collector and Constable, E. W. Nevers.
Treasurer, Alvin Pike.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$800 00
Schools.....275 00
School books.....25 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....75 00
Poor.....425 00

UPRON.
Moderator, Enoch Abbott.
Clerk, Fred O. Godwin.
Selectmen, Chas. J. Lane, F. B. Bess.
School Board, H. L. Abbott.
Constables, A. W. Judkins.
Treasurer, A. O. Godwin.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$700 00
Schools.....150 00
School books.....25 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....100 00
Poor.....100 00
Contingent fund.....100 00

DIXFIELD.
Moderator, Geo. H. Newman.
Clerk, E. H. Valie.
Selectmen, W. F. Walte, Albion Holman, Emerson Walte.
School Board, A. L. Douglass.
Collector and Constable, D. F. Newton.
Treasurer, C. L. Dillingham.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,500 00
Schools.....200 00
School books.....200 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....200 00

MODERATOR, A. D. Fessenden.
Clerk, S. T. Brown.
Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, A. D. Fessenden, J. H. Berry, Almon P. Pligree.
School Supervisor, C. O. Pendexter.
Collector of Taxes, Z. G. Whitney.
Money raised:
Support of poor.....\$ 500 00
Support of high school.....300 00
School books.....100 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....100 00
Repair of schoolhouses.....100 00
Defray town charges.....500 00
Memorial Day.....10 00
Roads and bridges.....1,500 00
Total amt.....\$4,910 00

MODERATOR, D. L. Austin.
Clerk, J. W. Kimball.
Selectmen, A. J. Blake, S. A. Coffin, A. T. Heath.
School Board, S. W. Potter.
Collector, H. B. Wheeler.
Constable, D. L. Austin.
Treasurer, F. G. Lary.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$ 400 00
Schools.....250 00
School books.....50 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....100 00
Town charges.....1200 00

MODERATOR, George E. Brown.
Clerk, V. D. Cole.
Selectmen, George E. Brown, Wm. C. Brooks, J. H. Bowker.
School Board, V. D. Cole, Geo. E. Brown, E. A. Farnum.
Collector and Constable, A. J. Woodward.
Treasurer, E. A. Farnum.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$ 400 00
Schools.....175 00
School books.....25 00
Poor.....10 00
Officers' charges.....200 00

MODERATOR, Wm. Douglas.
Clerk, Melville Monroe.
Selectmen, A. S. Haggood, Joshua Saunders, F. H. Morse.
School Board, Harry Saunders, Mrs. F. B. Rounie.
Collector, Constable and treasurer, Joel Plummer.
Appropriations:
Roads and bridges.....\$2,700 00
Snow bills.....400 00
Schools.....1,000 00
School books.....100 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....250 00
Free high school.....200 00
Poor.....1,800 00

MODERATOR, H. H. Cushman.
Clerk, H. J. Libby.
Selectmen and Road Commissioners, O. S. Dudgeon, G. L. Cushman, W. H. Larrey.
Treasurer, J. L. Bowker.
School Committee, Geo. O. Jones, F. L. Wyman, F. F. Foster, S. L. Rust.
Trust Officer, Kingman Perham.
Surveyors of Wood and Lumber, F. M. Cole, W. F. Harding, James M. Day, H. H. Cushman, F. R. Andrews.
Sectress, Cullen Abbott, John G. Estes, Sylvester Estes.
Constable, Kingman Perham.
Collector of Taxes, F. F. Cole.
Money raised:
Support of poor.....\$ 800 00
Support of high school.....600 00
Town charges.....400 00
Roads and bridges.....1,400 00
Repairs on schoolhouses.....100 00
School text books.....75 00
Memorial Services.....25 00

MODERATOR, William Gordon.
Clerk, N. Charles.
Selectmen, D. A. Ballard, F. A. Holt, A. W. McKee.
School Board, T. W. Charles, James Hobbs.
Collector, Fred Davis.
Treasurer, J. F. Merrill.
Road Commissioners, Henry Andrews, Chandler Buzzell.
Amount of money raised:
Support of poor.....\$2,500 00
Support of high school.....900 00
Current expenses.....1,000 00
Interest on bonds.....1,000 00
Schools.....1,000 00
School books.....50 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....50 00
School houses.....150 00
Soldiers' graves.....25 00
Safe for selectmen's office.....50 00

MODERATOR, C. M. Holland.
Clerk, Nathan Reynolds.
Selectmen, W. H. H. Washburn, C. F. Oldham, C. R. Ellis.
School Board, J. K. Forhan, George L. Wadlin, Fayson Smith.
Collector, John Foye.
Constables, L. H. Harrows, John Briggs, C. F. Oldham, F. R. Oliver.
Treasurer, Nathan Reynolds.
Appropriated:
Schools.....\$1,050 00
Free high school.....200 00

MODERATOR, W. T. Sewall.
Clerk, L. B. Hild.
Selectmen, S. F. Stetson, W. E. Bowker, R. N. Stetson.
School Board, E. S. Blisbe, E. H. Andrews, H. H. Eastman, H. C. Thomas.
Collector, C. W. Field.
Constable, C. W. Field.
Treasurer, W. H. Eastman.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$500 00
Schools.....800 00
School books.....50 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....25 00
Poor.....400 00
Officers' charges.....40 00

MODERATOR, A. S. Fuller.
Clerk, Rocco F. Staples.
Selectmen, S. D. Edwards, W. F. Caldwell, Chas. G. Rowe.
School Board, S. D. Edwards, Rollin Gilbert, W. F. Caldwell.
Constables, Walter A. Bean, Scott Patterson.
Treasurer, R. F. Staples.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,000 00
Schools.....1,500 00
School books and schoolhouse repairs.....700 00
Free high school.....250 00
Poor.....250 00
Officers' charges.....600 00
Contingent fund.....200 00
Library.....700 00
Obsequies Memorial Day.....25 00
Town debt.....500 00

MODERATOR, S. M. Decker.
Clerk, A. W. Robbins.
Selectmen, Frank Stanley, F. M. Edmunds, H. L. Mitchell.
School Board, O. J. Lovejoy, John Reed, S. M. Decker.
Collector and Constable, J. H. Tenne.
Treasurer, John Reed.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$750 00
Schools.....250 00
School books.....125 00
Officers' charges.....50 00
Interest.....50 00
To build new road.....150 00
Discount.....100 00

OTISFIELD.

Moderator, N. C. Plinkham.
Clerk, Edwin Lamb.
Selectmen, Geo. H. Green, Lester Jilison, Manrice Kemp.
School Board, L. W. Parker.
Collector, Jason B. Scribner.
Constable, Jason B. Scribner.
Treasurer, Thomas Jackson.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$ 400 00
Schools.....2,000 00
School books.....200 00
To defray town charges and support of poor.....2,000 00

MODERATOR, Sewell Goff.
Clerk, J. L. Howard.
Selectmen, H. B. Whitman, R. L. Taylor, Fred Scott Kidder.
School Board, F. A. Robinson.
Collector, J. M. Doane.
Constables, J. M. Doane, Robert Reed.
Appropriated:
Highway.....\$ 500 00
Schools.....500 00
To defray town charges and support of poor.....1,000 00

MODERATOR, A. O. Reed.
Clerk, H. H. Richards.
Selectmen, H. H. Richards, Jotham Shaw, G. F. Thomas.
School Board, John Houghton, Stephen Taylor, G. F. Thomas.
Collector, A. S. Young.
Constable, A. S. Young.
Treasurer, John Houghton.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,000 00
Schools.....200 00
Free high schools.....200 00
Poor.....200 00
Contingent fund.....400 00
To pay outstanding orders.....65 00
To pay interest on bonds.....100 00
Public library.....100 00

MODERATOR, O. H. Day.
Clerk, L. A. Walsh.
Selectmen, L. Emerson, D. P. Charles, T. F. Dresser.
School Board, D. P. Charles, C. W. Day, A. C. Collector, A. C. Andrews.
Constables, F. E. Gaudier, A. C. Andrews.
Treasurer, O. H. Day.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$500 00
Schools.....500 00
Officers' charges.....97 00
Town charges.....200 00

MODERATOR, Charles C. Flinders.
Clerk, Sumner Evans.
Selectmen, David O. Brown, Virgil Littlefield, Charles C. Flinders.
Treasurer, Arthur F. Moody.
Collector and Constable, Simon Grover.
Supervisor of Schools, Fred H. Bartlett.
On School Board, Lewis Marshall, Levi McAllister.
Constable, Alfred H. Speers.
Town voted to raise \$3,500 for the proposed electric railroad.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$500 00
Schools.....300 00
School books.....25 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....25 00
Poor.....250 00
Officers' charges.....25 00
Lippen Post.....10 00

MODERATOR, Joseph E. Stearns.
Clerk, Frank C. Walker.
Selectmen, G. W. Walker, G. A. Kimball, M. A. LeKarron.
School Board, Josiah Fox, John B. Martin, Seth F. Head.
Collector, A. M. Pottle.
Constable, A. M. Pottle.
Treasurer, J. M. Farrington.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,500 00
Schools.....500 00
School books.....100 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....100 00
To repair inside of town house.....100 00
To defray town charges and support of poor.....1,200 00

MODERATOR, S. P. Cushman.
Clerk, A. M. Richardson.
Selectmen, A. A. Nelson, W. H. Allen, Frank Packard.
School Board, Mrs. Emma L. Phillips, Frank E. C. Teague, Albert Marshall.
Collector, A. E. George.
Constable, A. E. George.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,500 00
Schools.....500 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....200 00
Poor.....200 00
Officers' charges.....350 00
New schoolhouse.....500 00
Miscellaneous expenses.....100 00

MODERATOR, L. R. Giles.
Clerk, H. F. Fitch.
Selectmen, Simon Hanscom, Charles Linscott, W. F. Brooks.
School Board, H. F. Fitch, W. L. Gatchell.
Collector, T. C. Walker.
Constable, T. C. Walker.
Treasurer, T. C. Walker.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$700 00
Schools.....75 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....125 00
Poor.....500 00

MODERATOR, H. E. Dyer.
Clerk, A. G. Howe.
Selectmen, Geo. L. Smith, C. B. Frost, A. O. Hayford.
School Board, H. E. Dyer, H. A. Staples, A. G. Howe.
Collector, S. A. Putnam.
Constables, S. A. Putnam, H. E. Dyer.
Treasurer, O. F. Russell.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$200 00
Schools.....175 00
Free high school.....50 00
Officers' charges.....50 00

MODERATOR, O. W. Brooks.
Clerk, A. P. Brooks.
Selectmen, S. P. Davis, A. L. Farrar, J. H. Farrar.
School Board, Rufus Farrar, G. A. Otis, S. P. Davis.
Collector and Constable, J. W. Chapman.
Treasurer, W. H. Otis.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$600 00
Schools.....75 00
School books.....10 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....10 00
Officers' charges.....41 17

MODERATOR, N. S. Baker.
Clerk, J. A. Thurston.
Selectmen, J. B. Littlehale, R. M. Williamson.
School Board, G. A. Littlehale.
Collector and Constable, N. S. Baker.
Treasurer, J. A. Thurston.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$700 00
Schools.....400 00
School books.....50 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....75 00
Poor.....200 00
Officers' charges.....20 00

MODERATOR, John B. Danforth.
Clerk, E. P. Ridon.
Selectmen, Geo. E. Stacy, John B. Danforth, R. F. Norton.
School Board, Isaac M. Brown, S. B. Stanley, to fill vacancies.
Collector, Walter J. Libby.
Constable, Frank Pondexter.
Agent, Jordan Stacy.
Auditor, Geo. S. Stanley.
Treasurer, Daniel Durgin.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$1,500 00
Schools.....500 00
School books.....100 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....40 00

MODERATOR, Chas. F. Brown.
Clerk, J. C. Bean.
Selectmen, Chas. F. Brown, Ervin Hutchinson, Oscar G. Mason.
School Board, Mrs. Ida L. Brown, Mrs. Fannie Tyler.
Collector, Fletcher L. Bean.
Constable, F. I. Bean.
Treasurer, F. I. Bean.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$500 00
Schools.....200 00
Snow bills.....10 00
Schoolhouse repairs.....10 00
Poor.....10 00
Fencing cemetery.....20 00

MODERATOR, S. M. Decker.
Clerk, A. W. Robbins.
Selectmen, Frank Stanley, F. M. Edmunds, H. L. Mitchell.
School Board, O. J. Lovejoy, John Reed, S. M. Decker.
Collector and Constable, J. H. Tenne.
Treasurer, John Reed.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$750 00
Schools.....250 00
School books.....125 00
Officers' charges.....50 00
Interest.....50 00
To build new road.....150 00
Discount.....100 00

MODERATOR, S. M. Decker.
Clerk, A. W. Robbins.
Selectmen, Frank Stanley, F. M. Edmunds, H. L. Mitchell.
School Board, O. J. Lovejoy, John Reed, S. M. Decker.
Collector and Constable, J. H. Tenne.
Treasurer, John Reed.
Appropriated:
Roads and bridges.....\$750 00
Schools.....250 00
School books.....125 00
Officers' charges.....50 00
Interest.....50 00
To build new road.....150 00
Discount.....100 00

MASON.

Donald Bean of South Paris is visiting friends in town.
Eugene Prescott of West Bethel was in town recently.
Edsall Grove of West Bethel was in town, the past week.
S. O. Grover is drawing birch for Geo. Bennett to West Bethel.
Mrs. Will Griffin and daughter of West Bethel were in town, the past week.
Several are drawing saw dust from A. S. Bean's mill to Bethel to cover their ice.

N. H. Tyler is very feeble, can only do light chores. He lives with his son Arthur on the old farm.
Rev. A. Hamilton preached at the church last Sabbath, to a fair audience considering the traveling.
Frank and Herbert Bean of Hunt's Hill, Albany, were at F. I. Bean's recently and bought a cow.
A. E. McAllister and wife of West Bethel were in town recently, looking for a girl to do housework.

The M. E. circle met, Wednesday evening, with Mrs. Lottie Hutchinson. A good time was enjoyed by the young people.
E. Allen of Canton and Ethel Allen of West Bethel have been in town.
Allen is agent for the Standard sewing machine.

We learn that Nahum Scribner's horse ran away, last Friday, with Mrs. Scribner and daughter. He ran over a mile with both women holding the reins. He was brought to a stand near Archie Hutchinson's by running him into the woods. No damage except a bad fright.
J. C. Bean is another smart man. This winter he and a grandson 15 years old have cut and landed on the road 15 cords of white birch and as much wood to the house.
He was elected town clerk for the 16th consecutive year today. He has held every town office several times each and has been one of the trustees of the M. E. church from its organization and an honored member of the same for over fifty years. He was a soldier in our late war, serving over three years.

Monday, the three oldest men in town were out to town meeting. Their ages were respectively: J. C. Bean, 76 last Aug.; N. H. Tyler, 70 last Sept.; and N. G. Mills, 78 on Feb. 20th. On Mr. Mills' birthday, he walked 12 miles and took his mumps to the mill. Monday following he took care of his stock and drove with his team to Norway and bought 1 1/2 tons of feed, returning home in season to do his chores at night. Tuesday, he drove to Waterford and back, a distance of 25 miles up and down. Wednesday, he sawed wood till near night and went to West Bethel. Thursday and Friday, sawed wood. Who can beat this?

AMERICAN BENEFIT SOCIETY.
A lodge of the above named society was instituted in Norway, Monday evening, Feb. 22, 1897. Dr. C. H. Burr, President of the Supreme Lodge, presided, assisted by H. C. Reed, Deputy. It was unanimously voted to name it Norway Lodge, No. 83. The following officers have been elected and installed:
President, Orrin A. Holden.
Vice President, Mrs. Lelia A. Ginn.
Orator, Mrs. Mae R. Hunter.
Senior Past President, David R. Morse.
Secretary, Jesse P. Edwards.
Collector, Fred E. Drake.
Treasurer, Mrs. Emma L. Holden.
Chaplain, George F. Hathaway.
Marshal, Wesley H. Ginn.
Warden, John M. Bumpus.
Sectress, Mrs. Fred E. Drake.
Trustees, Dr. Fred E. Drake, Benj. R. Howard and Darius R. Fuller.
Medical Examiners, Dr. Frank N. Barker, Dr. Annette Bennett.

The new lodge starts with twenty-six charter members and as much interest is manifested it is expected to reach a total membership of fifty or sixty before the charter is closed. It was voted to meet at G. A. R. Hall.

NORWAY.
CROOKED RIVER DISTRICT.—A. H. Cushman is improving.
Mrs. John Lasselle and baby are not as well.
Herman Hill has returned to his work in Waterford.
Howard B. Allen has returned to his work on Pike's Hill.
Harry Hold's family are house-keeping in L. E. Holden's house.
It has been very sickly here, for the past three weeks. Some twenty or thirty cases of a gripe.

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PARIS—Valuation, \$1,133,910, of which \$300,085 is taxed, and \$23,700 non-resident real estate, and \$513,125 residential; and \$6,730 non-resident personal estate; number of polls, 777; poll tax, \$3; amount assessed, \$20,500.66; rate of taxation, .018; receipts, \$30,645.06; expenditures, \$30,671.53; liabilities, \$20,941.08; resources, \$12,054.01; leaving a balance against the town of \$1,966.14.

STOW—Valuation, \$122,240.00; number of polls, 67; poll tax, \$1.50; percentage, .0134; amount assessed, \$1,719.29; liabilities of town, \$475.53; resources, \$943.14; balance in favor of town, \$172.61.

ROXFORD—Valuation, \$1,173,455; No. of polls 895; poll tax \$2.50; rate of property tax .018; appropriated and assessed, \$23,359; liabilities, \$44,564.65; resources \$13,811.59; balance against the town \$30,935.09.

DENMARK—Valuation \$267,825; number of polls taxed, 323; poll tax \$2.50; rate of money tax .011; rate of property tax \$5,455.14; highway tax \$151.76; number of polls 215; poll tax \$1.50; rate per cent, highway .0045 on \$1; resources \$2,021.83; liabilities \$1704.73; balance in favor of town \$316.60.

MEXICO—Valuation \$170,210; number of polls 251; poll tax \$2.50; rate of property tax .018; appropriated and assessed \$4,357.60; liabilities \$10,267.73; resources \$3,901.39; balance against town \$6,366.30.

CORNISH—Valuation \$338,129; number of polls 303; poll tax \$3; rate of taxation, .016 on \$1; appropriations \$7,135.06; resources \$2,740; liabilities \$6,130.48; balance against the town \$3,381.43.

ANDOVER—Valuation \$169,029.00, No. of polls 224, poll tax 3.00, rate property tax .025 on 1.00; appropriated and assessed 4,897.68; liabilities 4,779.90, resources 3,110.14, leaving a balance against the town of 1,669.76.

Advertisement Letters Norway.
Miss L. L. Brooks, Miss Clem Cross, 3.
Miss Melissa Carver, Mrs. Mary K. Delany,
Mrs. Ernest E. Field, John W. Beckert,
O. N. Fuller, W. H. Kinney,
N. S. Towle, Jr., Leland C. Waterhouse.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

Frank Hall has returned to work at So. Portland.
Mrs. Jewett is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Freeman Hapgood.
Our pastor, Mr. Bragg, spent a part of last week in Sweden, doing pastoral work.
The Universalist society had an excellent social last Friday evening, in the village hall.
Mrs. Dorr had another attack of her sick spells last Saturday, but is much better now.
Rev. Mr. Bragg expects to exchange pulpits next Sunday morning, with Rev. W. P. Curtis of Harrison.

At the last meeting of the Methodist church improvement society it was decided to get the church painted as soon as the weather will permit.
Plenty of sleighing in our village, and the woods must resound with sleigh bells and the shouts of the teamster, if we may judge by the wood piles in private yards and the amount of logs around our mills.

The Methodist church society are to hold another circle at the village hall next Wednesday evening. It is the desire of some of the church members that the pastor may have the benefit of this circle, instead of the church edifice.
Eugene Nelson is at present employed at South Portland in a bicycle factory. He came home Saturday night, as a good citizen, to attend the town meeting, and many were disappointed in not seeing him act as moderator.

Edward Nelson, who has been at So. Portland bicycle factory for some time, has taken the advice of Horace Greeley and gone west, leaving this week for Bay City, Mich., where he will engage in the lumber business with his uncle, Mr. Stanwood.

EAST OTISFIELD.
S. D. Jilison is making preparations to start his steam saw mill soon.
C. E. and E. M. Greenleaf of Auburn visited their brother, P. C. Greenleaf, last week.
The funeral services of Zachariah Morrill, a former resident of this town, was held at the home of a nephew, S. L. Jordan, on Tuesday of this week.

WEST BETHEL.
Alveta Farwell has his new sleigh home.
Edith Briggs is at Gilead visiting her sister.
Ed Bell comes out with a pretty gay sleigh.
Fred Rollins was here recently to visit his brother.
Fred Rollins with his niece, Flora Rollins, went to Shelburn, Sunday.
Mrs. Etta McKee, of Shelburne, N. H., was at W. A. Farwell's last Saturday.
A part of the new windows have been put in the church, and they look very nice.
Mrs. W. A. Farwell has gone to Gorham, N. H., to assist in caring for sick relatives, and will visit in Berlin before returning home.

DENMARK.
Charles Berry goes to Boston, this week, to work.
Mrs. Emma Frost of Sebago was at A. H. Witham's, last Saturday. Her son Maynard is stopping at Mr. Witham's.
Our high school is taking a vacation of one week. We are having the best school we have had for years, taught by Chas. Stone.

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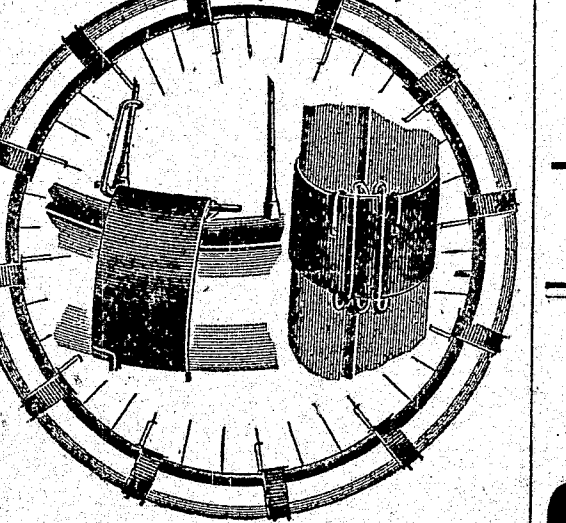
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*Including Sunday.

NEWRY.
Hollis Coolidge is hauling birch for James Spinney, to the mill.
Merton Holt is getting in quite a quantity of timber, birch and spruce.

Mrs. Carle Frost has been on a visit to her parents in Greenwood.
The selectmen are very busy at present, looking after their affairs.
Don Smith is unable to haul birch on account of the lameness of one of his grays.

Isma Frost, who is working for St. John Hastings, was home, Saturday and Sunday.

Amos Frost has bought a horse so he has a span. He is getting out timber preparatory to building a house.

There was a dance at Newry Corner for the benefit of C. Thompson, who is very low. A goodly sum was raised.
J. A. Thurston has quite a crew working for him in the mill at the Corner. He also has begun working his mill at Swan's Corner.

Chas. Frost is at home now, working for Carl Godwin and teaching his new horse to know the harness, it having never been broken.

Quite a lot of canvassers for the ministers' quilt and lots of excitement over the same. The last question was, "Is married life preferable to single?"

WEST SUMNER.

We can hardly agree with the correspondent who thinks the rug fever is a bad thing to have in the house. As we are at this time having a run of the same fever we feel like good naturedly reply to him (of course it is a him), or stating our views of it. We think especially for the month of March, when the outside elements are not favorable for making or receiving calls, old Boreas being at his height, that nothing is better calculated to entertain and make content the industrious housewife than drawing a rug. Why is it that the majority of our men, ever ready to make rags of their clothes, are never willing for their wives to make these rags into something useful? Some say, "Oh, it is hard work, will make you sick," which reminds me of what I once heard a good lady say that she might as well die doing something she wanted to do as doing things she didn't want to do. I said never, but there are exceptions. One man of my acquaintance so far from raising any objections is very ready to assist by making frames and helping tack on the material.

Women Like the Journal.

That popular Boston Daily Gives Them Many Features.
If you should ask the women of New England in regard to their favorite daily paper, nine out of every ten would declare in favor of the Boston Journal. Every day the Woman's Corner of that interesting paper is filled with varied news and gossip especially designed to interest the ladies. In the Sunday Journal there are a number of extra features which are always appreciated. In addition to the page devoted exclusively to pictures and letters to interest the fair sex, the Sunday Journal gives each week a photographic picture designed by one of the fourteen leaders of court styles in Europe, each illustration being accompanied by a signed description by the famous maker. Then there is the weekly letter from Bab, whose breezy comments on topics of the day are always timely and interesting. A series of letters to girls and mothers by Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson, and the continuation of the last novel from the pen of "The Duchess," are among the other features which continue to make the Boston Journal prints the best Sunday paper in New England.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

The Waterford Creamery is having a big surplus of butter and now selling in any one for 1/2 cent per gallon.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c, or \$1.00 per bottle at Noyes Drug Store, Norway, and Shurtlett's Pharmacy, South Paris.

WEST PARIS.

Notwithstanding the prevailing sickness in the community, a goodly number gathered at the home of Mr. M. Wheeler, recently, and a very pleasant evening was spent in singing and social converse. The company dispersed at a seasonable hour, leaving the pastor and his wife much helped socially and financially.

A Revelation for Weak Women.

Weak, nervous women who suffer from female complaints, irregularities, discharges, backache, etc., get no sympathy because they "look well." No one but the physician knows what they suffer, and no one but a great specialist in female diseases like Dr. Greene, 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., the most successful physician in curing these troubles, has the knowledge, skill and experience to do any good. Go to Dr. Greene and be cured. Write now—it may result in your cure.

OXFORD.

Oxford Depot.—Mrs. Seth Ames has finished her second rag carpet.
Marjorie Holmes of the Bellows School at Portland, visited J. F. Fuller, the latter part of last week.

Dangers of the Grip.

The greatest danger from La Grippe is of its resulting in pneumonia. If a reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for La Grippe, we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventive of that dread disease. It will effect a permanent cure in less time than any other treatment. The 25 and 50 cent size for sale by Noyes Drug Store.

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She Found Dr. Greene's Nervura the Sure Restorer of Health, Energy and Strength. The Remedy All Should Use in the Spring.



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Olga Nethersole is beyond question the greatest English speaking, emotional actress of the present day. Everyone who witnesses the tremendous expenditure of nervous energy incident to her wonderful performances, realizes the excessive nervous strain and tension incurred and the consequent loss of nerve force and physical strength. No one, therefore, is more capable of knowing what most quickly restores and recuperates loss of nervous energy and power than she, and no one is more competent to advise those whose nerves are weak, who are ill, out of order or run down to be restored to health and vigor, than everybody to use Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, for she knows that this grand medicine is the best thing in the world to make people well and strong.

Miss Nethersole says:—"I have used Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy and have found it a most strengthening and invigorating tonic and restorative. When weak, tired, nervous or run down, or when I cannot sleep, or when I have found it a sure restorer of energy and strength to the body. If you feel weak, tired, nervous, irritable and nervous, if you do not eat or sleep well, if you wake tired mornings, with dull feeling, head aches, no appetite, tired and without energy or ambition to work, if you have headache, liver and kidney diseases, and general debility, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. It will surely make you well. Dr. Greene's Cathartic Pills are the most perfect pills for biliousness and constipation. Dr. Greene, 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., the successful physician in curing nervous and chronic diseases, can be consulted free, personally or by letter.

Early Settlers of Fryeburg.

The last article I wrote about the early settlers of Fryeburg was of Daniel Far. Frye now lives. The next house was built opposite side of the road was built by Lieut. Nathaniel Frye, a son of Col. Joseph, who had a grant from the court of Massachusetts of the town of Fryeburg in 1762. Col. Nathaniel was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, was commander of an artillery company and was engaged in many hard fought battles. He lost his hearing at the battle of Monmouth and never regained it.

He was a man of strong mind, had a good education for those days. He married Dolly Swan, a sister of Caleb Swan, who lived near Swan's Falls, where the first school in Fryeburg was taught by William Frost in 1769. They used birch bark for writing books. He had a pension for his services in the war during his life. Farming was his occupation until his death.

He had four sons and one daughter, Samuel, Caleb, Nathaniel, Frederick and Melville, who married Hancock Frye, a son of Simon Frye, a nephew of General Joseph Frye. He was a man of rare intellect, was the first representative to the General Court in Massachusetts and for many years judge of the District Court. They had three daughters, George Farnsworth of North Bridgton, and one Henry Walker of Fryeburg.

I think Samuel, the oldest son, died at an early period as I have never heard much about him. Nathaniel went to Washington, D. C., many years ago and died there. He was in government employ. He left one son, who died some years since. Caleb was blind for a number of years before his death. He could go from place to place and call at any house he wanted to without any guide. Frederick Frye, the youngest son of Lieut. Nathaniel, married Mary Ann Chandler, the daughter of Dr. Moses Chandler, Jan. 7, 1768. They had two sons and one daughter, Martha, Caleb, Frederick and Nathaniel. The only one now living is one of our first business men of wealth and influence, a good citizen and townsmen, ever ready to alleviate the sorrows of the desolate widow and mourning orphan. M. CHANDLER.

Fryeburg Center, Feb. 15, 1897.

For a genuine Keely Cure within the State of Maine, go to Deering, where every care is given for the benefit of the patient. While every comfort is furnished and the attractions of both nature and art are on every hand to please and aid the patient in his recovery. The main object of this excellent medical institution is to effect PERFECT CURES. The President is a man of temperate habits and high grade of character. 25¢

Space in a newspaper is the publisher's stock in trade just as much as the merchant's goods are, and space given to the newspaper man to give as much for the value in goods is for the merchant.

From Grippe Creek.

After the big fire at Cripple Creek, I took a severe cold and tried many remedies without help, the cold only becoming more settled. After using three small bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the cough and cold left me, and in this high altitude to do any good. G. B. Henderson, editor Daily Advertiser, sold by Noyes Drug Store.

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CASCO.

Mrs. Frank Jordan is still very sick.

Mrs. Corliss, who has been confined to the house with a bad cold, is able to be out.

Quite a number attended the "Prize Speaking Contest" at Oxford high school the 22.

J. G. Brackett and daughter Etta, of Harrison, have been visiting relatives, a couple of days, in this town.

Lawyer Chas. D. Wentworth of Westbrook, attended the meetings, Saturday and Sunday, and stayed at M. L. Leach's.

Tuesday night, the Y. P. S. C. E. held their regular meeting, and after the services a sing and a treat of candy and peanuts was passed around.

Friday evening, G. S. D. Churchhill of Raymond, gave an illustrated lecture in the school house, on the big trees and Yosemite Valley of California.

The Band Praying Band held their meeting, Saturday and Sunday, at the Union church. The meetings were very interesting and enjoyed by all.

Friday evening, the 12, thirteen of the young people went to Spurr's Corner to a sociable. It was a stormy night, but there was quite a large crowd out. All reported a good time.

In His New Field.

The Attleboro, Mass., Sun of Feb. 23 speaks very highly of C. P. Barnes' school in that place. It seems from the article that we publish that they have been having a "school difficulty" there. We print the clipping as Mr. and Mrs. Barnes' many friends in this vicinity will be pleased to hear of their success.

"The Sun bears cheerful testimony to the success which seems to crown the new principal of the High School. The tidings from the school are the best and suggest that a wise choice was made. Besides the Principal Barnes appears to be making a rapid conquest of the hearts of the Attleboro people. It comes to our attention from several sources, the echo of satisfaction and approval. So far not a dissenting word has been heard. His quiet dignity and manly ways are undisturbed. As we understand it there is no disposition to re-open the question of principalship. That may be regarded as settled, whatever else may be in store. If there was an injustice before his day, the only thing within reach of humanity is to prevent the recurrence of another such a happening. The Sun congratulates Mr. Barnes on his outlook."

Not so tight as it was, that cough of yours but a little tight yet, I can tell you, three days you know. Keep on taking that bottle of Cough Syrup and that cough will soon be as quiet as a lamb.

OTISFIELD.

Mrs. Sarah J. Edwards, widow of the late Preston Edwards, died at her home on Madison St., Keene, N. H., Jan. 29, of heart failure, at the age of 81 yrs. 8 months and 12 days. She leaves three sons and two daughters, Chatham B., William L., Abner V., Mrs. Sylvanus A. Morse of Keene, and Mrs. Alice L. Lawrence of Medford, Mass. Deceased was a native of Maine and was married to the late Preston Edwards in Otisfield, in 1833. They lived in Otisfield and Andover until 1872 when they moved to Keene, N. H. The funeral was held at her late residence, Wednesday afternoon. The floral tributes were many, showing the high esteem in which she was held.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the way to cure deafness, that is by the circulation of the blood. There is only one remedy. Deafness is caused by an indurated condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube gets indurated it has a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness results, and unless the inflammation can be removed, hearing will be destroyed forever. Which is not a bad condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. We give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by indurated mucous) cured by our medicine, presented by C. A. Prescott, et al.

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(Written for the Advertiser.)
Memories of Other Days.

BY H. HAMILIN HOUGHTON.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—I thought when writing my first letter, that should you accept the same, it would be by knocking off a point here, filling a gap there so that it came to the public. I wrote a fairly readable article. I wrote my second with the same thought and you may judge of my surprise when this found its way to the public unchanged except for the title you have given it, so that instead of having you to chaperone me, as it were, I must go it alone.

I have read what you have had to say in explanation of your writings about your State, and I wish for no fairer treatment than you have given him.

I wish that the writer had the tact of your esteemed Dr. Bradbury, over whose head the dark shadows have fallen so often of late, or that I had the skill of our beloved Dr. Gunnison, who has a way in his letters of draping up the most common of subjects so that when they reach the public they appear not unlike gems.

I saw a friend much older than the writer, one who has furnished more copy for the printer than any other man in Central Massachusetts. He, could I reach him, would help me out of my trouble. His style of writing is just suited to what I have to say. Fact and not fiction, this man by name is Caleb A. Wall, to whom we can always go for historical items.

To him I could go for and for many incidents you will find herein, Mr. Wall will vouch.

This letter will try and follow the life of one of the boys mentioned in my first letter, the mechanical part played by him from the time of his leaving home until—well, wait and see.

It was I think when he was 17 years old that his father made some arrangement with your late Mr. L. H. Winsley where he and shop for the making and repairing of firearms was located nearly opposite your high school building to take this boy into his family and find if he could what there was in him.

The writer in speaking for himself can say that to him the time so spent was of the most complete happiness, whatever they may have been to Mr. and Mrs. W. and it was much to his regret when the end came. When next we find this boy it will be at work for his Uncle Moses, who was now in your village, with him and living in his family. The occupation was at house carpentering, much of the time in Maine, but as work became scarce Chelsea, Mass., found work for them. After working in this way two or three years and thinking he had found his occupation for life, he proposed to his father that he sell him his time for the little more than two years remaining. A price and terms were agreed upon, as follows: he was to pay his father for two hundred dollars, give him a month's work at house carpentering, keep away from theaters and not use profane language. The papers were properly drawn, signed by both parties and witnessed and the writer was a free man (or boy). With a small sum of money in his pocket and a light heart he started out into a world, looking larger to him than ever before, to find his own living and show to his father that the confidence placed in him was not misplaced, that he would succeed and meet every obligation on reaching his 21st birthday.

Leaving home he started for Chelsea. Although late in the year and a poor time to find work, he succeeded, however, and for the man he worked, he

boarded. This was the saving clause for he received but little else than that for the two months worked there. The writer then started for the village of Worcester, in which a former housekeeper of his father lived. She introduced him to her brother, a teamster for the then large agricultural implement manufacturers, Messrs. Ruggles, Nourse, Mason & Co. This man told me where I could find a cheap boarding house. My bank account was small, seven dollars would cover my complete assets. It was necessary that every penny should count. I would not send home for help, that would spoil all.

My new friend gave me the name of each carpenter and after visiting each, only to be refused work, my courage nearly gone I came back to my friend, who was standing by the side of his team. His cheery word asking me what luck was answered almost in tears "bad luck." He said, "I leave started wrong, you are a better machinist than carpenter and I have spoken to a man who has a shop in the building about you," and almost as the words were spoken he was at my side. He was told this was the young man spoken about at which he turned to me and asked what I could do. I frankly told him I did not know, I wanted to try. He said, "Come in next Monday morning," it was then Thursday, "and we will see." My load lightened. My return to my boarding place was one of joy, saddened by the thought that on trial I might be found wanting. Later my friend found me in my room and told me that my new employer had sent word by his orders are all completed at the same place that I could come in to work the next morning.

I think the 11th of Jan. 1846, having an early breakfast, I was at the shop before the door was unlocked. Soon the proprietor arrived and unlocked the door, he built a fire and the writer to look upon for the first time a Worcester machine shop. I had ample time to look at the work being done there before the workmen commenced to arrive, and the shading to revolve. I was unable to discover anything difficult being done either in the lathes or on the benches. My employer soon came to me with what machinists call a dog, placed it upon a rod of iron, put it in a lathe, set a tool properly and gave me the size to turn the same, then told me to go ahead. This was the most simple and easiest job of my life, was nothing but play. In less than an hour I was asking for another dog, there was another lathe idle, I could run two as well as one. Later I made my third request, as he still had one more lathe, the three just about using up my time.

A green boy from Maine, I did not know anything in this way or more years which I found seemed to be, to see how little could be done for the money received. Not so with the writer, he was anxious to be found so profitable to his employer that he could retain his place. Friday and Saturday of the two weeks' trial had been worked and on the next Monday morning, the fire built, Mr. C. called out for me to come to him. He says, "Young man, I do not know or care what your name may be, or where you come from, what price are you going to charge me?" We may as well settle the wages this morning as at any other time.

I told him to wait. He had only two of the 12 days trial. His reply was, "I have had enough, let us settle the matter," and it was settled. I was to have \$1.16 per day for two months, \$1.25 per day from then up to the first of April. Was I happy? No one more so. There was a prospect of my having steady work at pay that meant board and some-

thing more toward paying my note. I could now write home and tell my friends about Shiloh's Cure for Consumption. Here let me say something of the cost of sending letters by mail at this time. The writer has paid a quarter of a dollar many a time for taking a letter from Worcester to Norway; the same letter today will be taken to any postoffice in the states for two cents.

While my employer was ever kind and pleasant to me, to the other shopmates he was the bear. A great surprise was waiting for me when we were nearing April. First, in Mr. C. coming to me as we were finishing the day's work, and asking me to come to the shop that evening. At this interview he informed me that his physician had told him that he must either leave the shop or lose his life; that his business was very profitable, and that he wanted to retain an interest in the same; that he had considered the matter, and had decided that if I, the writer, would become an equal partner with him, he to furnish all the capital, he would be satisfied.

What could I do or say? Less than three months in the shop, and but 20 years of age; no confidence in myself, surrounded by men who could make it very unpleasant for me. My answer was quickly given and was this. Glad as I would be to continue in his employ and much as I wanted work no one more so, I could in no case be made to entertain his proposition.

Then he says I will be forced to sell out, and my advice to you is, that for whom you shall work after April let me not let yourself too cheaply, and promise to remain with me until my orders are all completed at the same place, and you are to receive from your future employers, and a handsome present besides. The promise made I sadly left the shop, not knowing what the future had in store for me.

The new proprietors came. The writer in due time became one of their employed at an advance in price perfectly satisfactory, and for the term of one year. Before this year was ended he was reengaged for the second year by the same parties at a satisfactory advance, and the same for the third year. The new proprietors, A. & S. Thayer, having decided upon a change in shops, the writer's health not being good, he returned to Maine, and it was while recovering from this sickness that he attended Bethel academy, over which was the good old Dr. True.

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know how ladies would go about conducting a political mass meeting, a thing unheard of in the east. I found a large audience, about equally divided as to sex, and divided as to sheep and goats by the main aisle, the men on one side, the ladies on the other, like an old time Quaker meeting, and a lady in the chair. She greeted me with all the urbanity imaginable, and at the proper time rose and called the meeting to order and asked for nominations for chairman of the evening. But one name was presented, that of a prominent lady in the community, who was elected by acclamation. After some graceful preliminary remarks Mrs. President called upon the chairman of the ward committees for reports. There were three wards in the town, and the ladies submitted reports showing that many new members had very gladly signed the roll of the club and given of their wealth to help along the cause, and the total membership was shown to be nearly 300.

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Opera Bonnets.

The velvet blouses that fashion still affects cannot exactly be called street wraps, but when becoming they are really a better though a less novel choice than the bolero jacket. Dark hued velvet blouses are still worn with handsome cloth skirts with both house and street costumes. Their simple, severe style remains unchanged, elaboration being exercised in the case of blouses of brocade, satin or similar light textiles. Modified mutant leg sleeves, costly buttons and a very narrow fur roll on the flaring collar and cuffs form the sole decoration, and frequently the showy buttons are omitted. On theater blouses of Russian red, green, brown or black velvet a more ornate style is observable. Tudor or Queen Bees ruffs are employed with additions of creamy lace platings or ruffles of mousseline de soie, some of these having tiny clusters of perfumed violets in the heart of each full plait.—New York Post.

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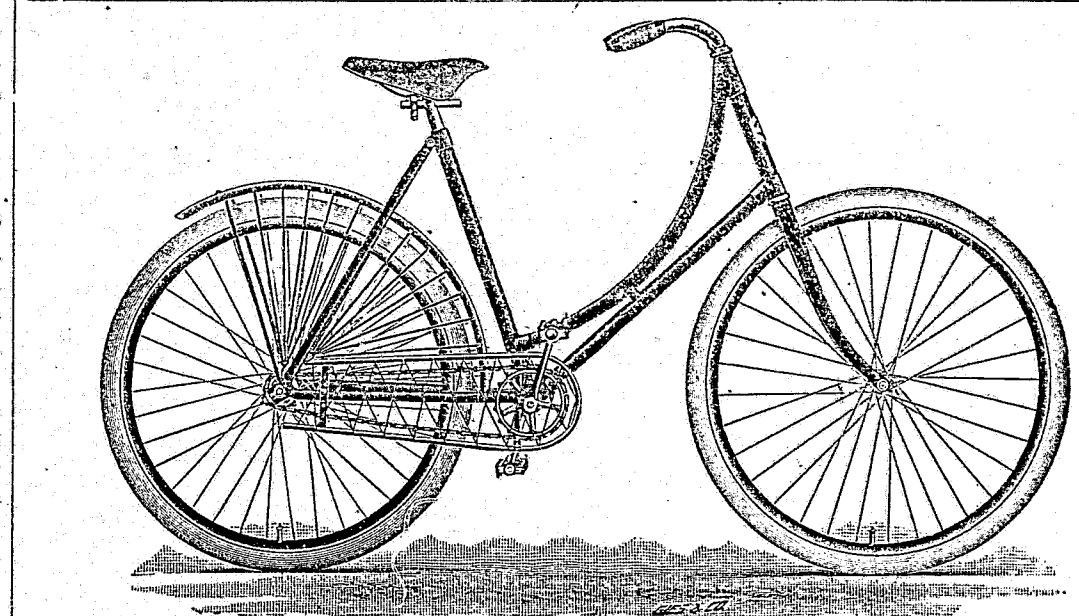
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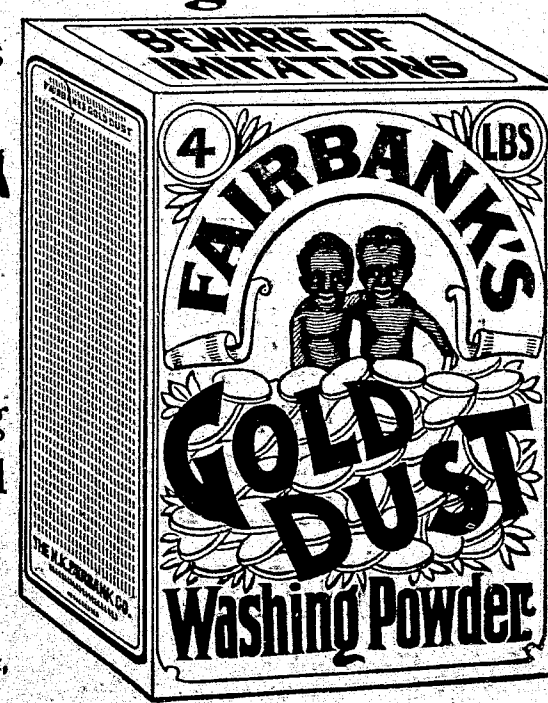
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GREENWOOD.

Mr. Lapham is very low.
Mrs. Clinton Cole is still quite low.
Lula Penley is visiting friends in West Paris.

Mrs. Lizzie Blaisdell is quite sick, also Nelson Jackson.

Nelson Cole visited her friends on Young Hill, last Sunday.

Samuel Cummings' cow gave birth to twin calves, one day last week.

Mrs. E. W. Penley spent last week in Augusta with her husband.

Leola Noyes is making her grand-par-ehs, Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Noyes, a visit.

School in District No. 5 closed, Friday.

A treat of candy and peanuts was served by the teacher, Angie E. Penley.

Mrs. Lois Swan visited friends and relatives on Pleasant Hill, last week. She walked a mile and a half through the snow.

Asa Packard and Charlie Richardson have been packing and hauling their apples to West Paris to be shipped by Frank Barrett.

Jessie Gardner celebrated her thirteenth birthday, Saturday, by inviting some of her young lady friends to spend the afternoon with her. Among those present were, Alice, Blanche and Leona Penley, Della Noyes and Edna Richardson. A treat was served, consisting of cake, candy, popcorn and lemonade.

A large cat has been around robbing hens' nests. He has been fired at a number of times by the young men, but they could not hit him, so Solomon Swan, an old gentleman, 72 years old, thought he would try it. He took his revolver and fired at him three times and failing to hit him then got his gun and fired, taking the top of the cat's head off. "There, take that," Mr. Swan says. "I guess you won't rob any more of my hens' nests."

NORTH NORWAY.

Mrs. J. H. Knapp has an attack of the grip.

Mrs. C. E. Dunn is visiting friends in Medford, Mass.

Mrs. Bertha Evis is visiting her parents, H. B. Macalaster.

H. E. Edwards and family of South Paris were at Wendell Judkins' the 28th, also E. T. Judkins and wife of Albany.

All should attend the show of magnificent views by A. K. Bryant at the Noble corner schoolhouse, Saturday evening, March 6.

WATERFORD.

We are glad to see Mrs. Dr. Packard out again.
Alice Stone and Miss True returned to Portland, Monday.

F. M. Atherton was taken very sick last Saturday night with pneumonia, but is now better.

C. D. Morse is at work in his shop on furniture. He has made some sideboards and mantels that are very fine; he still keeps his undertaking business going.

The young men of this vicinity have recently organized The Young Men's Athletic association of Waterford. Its object as stated in the constitution is to promote perfect and harmonious development, increase mutual acquaintances and friendship, and to provide individual and social instruction and recreation.

This association has in view a systematic course of physical culture, joined with the amusement of athletic contests, feats or games, with the exception of sparring wrestling and exercises involving risk of injury; and its promoters hope for a permanent interest that shall also make possible a varied course of instruction and work in the line of its watchwords: Development, power, control. Any young man or boy above the age of 15 may become a member, and a junior department is provided for those younger.

The town has voted the free use of the town hall for its weekly meetings, held at present on Friday evening. Visitors are cordially invited. The following board of officers has been chosen:

L. T. Rexford, President;
Fred Johnson, Vice President;
Loring F. Fiske, Secretary;
John Miller, Assistant Secretary;
Luther Wheeler, Treasurer;
E. P. Cleaves, Rev. Willis Briggs, Rev. H. A. Markley, Advisory Board.

NORTH NEWRY.

Vail & Godwin are doing fine work.

Mrs. McDonald was at home Sunday.

W. D. Kilgore out one of his horses quite badly last week.

Thermometer down to 14 below zero, but fine weather for logging.

The lyceum at the branch Saturday evening was a grand success. We feel proud to see so many from the corner.

Next lyceum at the branch Saturday, March 13. Let us have a full house as we have purchased three new lamps for the house, and have plenty of light and room.

EAST STONEHAM.

Gordon Woodbury, a young grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Wood, has been under medical treatment for some time, and is in a painful condition from throat and lung trouble.

J. Bartlett declined to be elected on the ladies of the church, election day, to accommodate all who wished for dinner in the hall over the school-room.

Mrs. Georgia McAllister is thought to be a little more comfortable. Her sister, Mrs. Tibbets, has been caring for her. Florence Plummer is working for Mrs. McAllister. We learn that Mrs. Tibbets was called home to Rumford quite suddenly, and went away from her sister's Tuesday.

SWEDEN.

J. Walter Flint is buying eggs for Boston parties.

A. H. Whitehouse has just gathered his lot of fine quality.

Mrs. Alvin Pike is thought, by her family, to be improving.

Beryl A. Wilson is at the Industrial School, Lancaster, Mass.

Chas. Douglass of Boston, Mass., recently visited his sister, Mrs. Wm. Saunders.

Wm. Flint has added the buying of veal calves to his egg business for Boston market.

The Rev. Wm. Briggs and family have been visiting his parishioners in town, the past week.

W. W. Nevers of Waterford called on his sister, Mrs. R. O. Moulton, at his old home, last Sabbath.

O. V. Edwards and wife of Bolster's Mills spent Friday night at the old home, Chas. Whitehouse's.

Mrs. Varney and son of Summer recently visited at R. O. Moulton's en route for Tamworth, N. H.

Frank P. Howe of Framingham, Mass., was in town, last week, being en route for the Brighton market. Frank is a busy man.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Chandler of North Chatham, N. H.; Eben Flint and wife of South Chatham visited at Chas. Flint's, last week.

Two little strangers came to the home of Samuel and Mar. Johnson, last week. They have the congratulations of their neighbors and friends.

Ursula N. Howe of Lovell went to Boston, Mass., Feb. 18th, en route for Chicago and Plymouth, Ill., the home of her aunt, Mrs. Henry Tuckee Eunice Perry.

Mrs. Good nee Clarabell I. Kneeland and family are at home at Samuel Plummer's, Saturday, next, en route home on Sunday. Mrs. G. came to visit her former home, the Ben. Knight place.

Jennie B. Wordsworth of Cornish met her classmate, Alice L. Perry of class '94, at Mrs. Geo. R. Kimball's, North Brighton, together they called upon old friends and schoolmates at North Brighton. Jennie accompanied Alice home and after spending a few days returned to Cornish.

Harry Bisbee has changed the machinery from sawing long lumber to spool strips at Bennett's Mills and now employs a full force of men, viz: E. W. Bennett, Wm. Bennett, H. O. Haskell, John Nevers, Will Marr, Hugh A. Smart, Arthur and Addison Flint. All of our loggers are now doing a good business.

GILEAD.

Monday a. m. was a very sharp morning being about 15 below.

C. H. Cole and Arthur Bennett are both being called "papa" nowadays, a girl and a boy.

Who has an old-fashioned clock that could be bought cheap, one of those described by the famous song, "My Grandfather's Clock," etc.

As Samuel Fogg was coming from Bear River, where he is working this winter, to spend Sunday with his family here, at the crossing below the village two miles or more, he somehow thought he would take the railroad instead of the town road. After doubling and crossing the track several times, he was met by conductor Ring's special which fortunately was running up grade, thus giving warning enough so that Mr. Fogg became conscious of his situation in time to get himself and horse off the track, thus saving what would doubtless have been a shocking accident. The only thing injured was the demolishing of the pump.

SOUTH ALBANY.

Charlie Flint seems to continue to gain in health.

John Cummings of Norway was in town, last Friday.

Roy Lovd, who is at work at Norway, was at home last week.

John Mason, Jr., and wife visited friends and relatives in Albany, this week.

Sawin Bros. have sold their oxen to parties of Fryeburg and John Horr has sold his to Mr. Stanton of Oxford.

Walter Lord of Fryeburg is very sick at his uncle's, J. F. Lord's of this place. His mother and sister are caring for him.

EAST OXFORD.

Wm. N. Thomas' horse got out very badly, last week.

S. S. Noyes, butchered a hog and a veal calf for Solomon Downing, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Billings went to Lisbon Falls, last Saturday, to visit their daughter, Mrs. S. White. Mr. Billings will return home the first of the week, while Mrs. Billings will remain two or three weeks longer.

A Buckfield Special.

After years of wranglings over corporation affairs in this village, matters culminated Monday, in the commitment to Paris jail of Merritt Parsons, for non-payment of a tax, considered by him and others to be illegal.

His team, being closely in the rear, was ready to take him back to his home, after going through the commitment.

Mr. Parsons has lived up into the 70s; yet age is of no account where bossism is to the fore.

The following day, Tuesday, came the village corporation election of officers.

This same convict Parsons was first elected moderator, then clerk, vacating as chairman. Thos. S. Brigham esq. was chosen in his stead. Then the same Parsons was chosen treasurer, with a new board of assessors consisting of Carlton Gardner, Henry Parsons and Asa Atwood.

Let us go back to the primitive customs and away with this centralized power and bossism, if jails and dungeons are to stare us in the face. The Weylers are not all in Cuba, nor all Turks in the ottoman empire.

Down with bossism and plunder in our common schools.

LOVELL.

C. E. Fox was in Norway, last week.
F. L. Mark of Fryeburg was in town, a few days last week.

There will be a graphophone concert at Fox's Hall, Friday evening, Mar. 5th.

There were a good lot out to town meeting and things were put through with neatness and dispatch. L. E. Harmon and E. T. Hubbard were on hand with candy and peanuts and seemed to be busy.

A. Heald & Son run a two-horse team up from the village and a fine ride was enjoyed.

Lovell is willing to admit that certain towns may beat her in the raising of big squash and fat babies but when it comes to teamsters, they cut no ice. Charles Chandler with a pair of horses, one of them 4 years old and the other 5, the two weighing twenty-one hundred, hauled 2270 ft. of pine timber from the Flint lot to the river at one load. Prof. Chandler said he should have hauled more if he could have got it on but he could not make it stay so went with what he had.

Al. Smart, the same time and place, with four 4-year-old steers hauled 3030 ft. of pine.

Smart & Walker have finished putting the timber on the Flint lot. They have put in not far from \$80,000.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION.

If you are to haul wood on subscription account this season, we want you to do so at once. Before hauling the wood make arrangements with F. W. Sanborn at the Advertiser's office.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Mercury 20 below zero Saturday morning.

Fifteen inches of snow fell between Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning.

H. G. Bennett has finished his logging job at home, and has gone to haul from the yard for the Spauldings.

Higgins is in town, staying at W. K. Bennett's at present. One pitiful him, wandering about, homeless, but he is always kindly treated by the people on the river.

W. L. Fickett, who is taking charge of the supply camp for the Berlin Mills Co. on the Cupusette, is out on a trip to Berlin and Lancaster. His brother, H. W. Fickett, is staying there during his absence.

OXFORD COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty to take to our most estimable and beloved fellow practitioner, Dr. O. N. Bradbury, And

Resolved, That we have always considered him a worthy and devoted member of our Association.

Resolved, That we consider his death not only a great loss to the community, but also to the whole medical profession of this State.

Resolved, That we think our deceased brother, ripe in years and wisdom, always strived for the right and endeavored to do his whole duty as a physician, surgeon and citizen.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathies to his bereaved family.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family of our deceased brother, published in the county papers, and inscribed upon the records of this Association.

Resolved, That the following Resolutions be adopted:

Resolved, That our number be broken for the first time by the death of one of our members, who was worthy in every way of our love and esteem.

Resolved, That as members of the Brownfield Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor we extend our warmest and most sincere sympathy to her parents, to the Oxford County Advertiser for publication, and that a copy be placed on our records.

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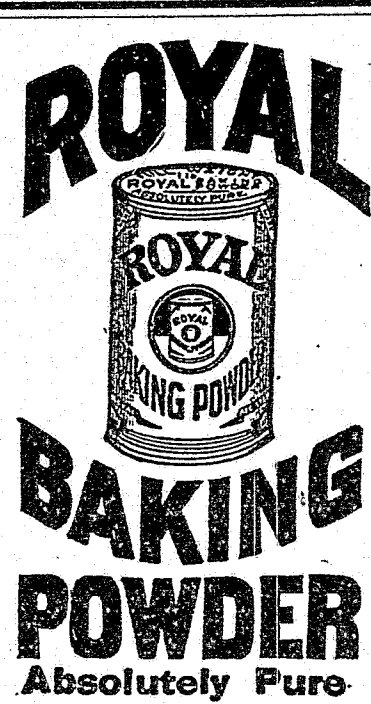
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Bradford Lakin has sold his oxen.

Maud Ross is working for Ira Kneeland.

Oliver Foster and wife were the guests of Herman Thompson, Sunday.

A. C. Buck has recently swapped horses with Mark Leach of Casco.

James Hamilton Jr., of Saco, formerly of this place, has recently visited friends here.

Howard Randall's two sisters and Rena Merrill of Portland made him a visit, recently.

R. W. Fogg has recently put a very fine weather vane on his barn, made by Bridgton parties.

Mrs. Clara DeWitt and granddaughter Villa Fogg, have returned from a five weeks visit in Naples.

Enoch Wentworth of Norway recently stopped over night at the home of his sister, Mrs. Josiah Strout.

Jerome S. DeWitt, of Eaton, N. H., who has been visiting his brother Clarence, and his sister Mrs. R. W. Fogg, and mother Mrs. Clara DeWitt, has returned home.

STATE OF MAINE.

February 26, A. D. 1897.

This is to give notice, That on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1897, a warrant in insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Charles S. Clark of Woodstock.

Insolvent Debtor on petition was filed on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand the date first above written.

CHANDLER GARLAND, Deputy Sheriff as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency.

For sale of O. I. Pitts, Norway, Me.

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